

Binational Youth Forum

May 31- June 2
Phoenix, Arizona

Participants

- 50 youth from the US and Mexico
- Coed ages vary from 13 to 30
- Youth from different social groups: students, professionals, artists, indigenous people; street boys
- Youth from across the Arizona border in Nogales, Douglas and Somerton and from 29 of 32 Mexican states.

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Topics of Discussion

- Popular Culture and Artistic Expression
- Sports and Recreation
- Communication, Education, and Social Movement
- Community Work

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Recommendations

- Establish a pilot youth coalition between Arizona and Sonora to develop activities and projects.
- Expand the pilot to a national level coalition.

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Recommendations

- Establish a planning committee with youth adults, and US/Mexico officials
- Establish a binational youth camp
- Exchange of cultural traditions
- Discussion group in the 4 areas (sports and recreation, popular culture and artistic expression, communication, education, social movement, community work)

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Themes for the Binational Youth Camp

- Manos juvenes a traves de la frontera, united against drugs
- Coalicion Juvenil: Trabajo local con metas de impacto global
- Youth coalitions: Local work with goals of global impact

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